

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows.

In the Claims:

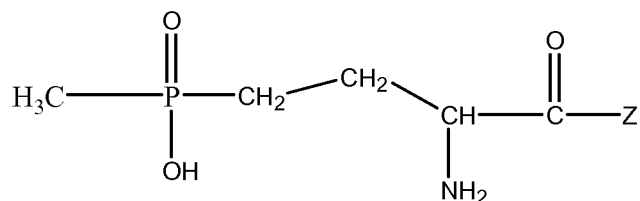
Claims 1-12 (Cancelled)

Claim 13 (Currently amended)

13. A method for combatting harmful plants in cotton crops, which comprises applying a herbicidal composition to the harmful plants or to the area where the harmful plants reside, wherein the herbicidal composition comprises a herbicide combination comprising a synergistically effective amount of

(A) a broad-spectrum herbicide consisting of one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of

(A1) compounds of the formula (A1),



(A1)

in which Z is a radical of the formula –OH, or the salts thereof;

and

(B) ~~one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of~~

~~(B1) metolachlor;~~

~~(B2) bispyribac or its salts, and pyrithiobac or its salts;~~

~~and~~

~~(B4) sethoxydim and clethodim;~~

and optionally one or more safeners

wherein said cotton crops are tolerant to the herbicides (A) and (B) in said combination.

Claims 14-22 (cancelled)

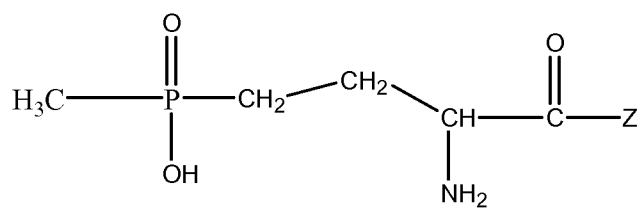
Claim 23 (Previously presented)

23. A method as claim in claim 14, wherein herbicide (B) is (B2) pyriithiobac.

Claims 24-46 (Cancelled)

Claim 47 (Currently amended)

47. A herbicidal composition which comprises a combination of
(A) one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of
(A1) compounds of the formula (A1),



(A1)

in which Z is a radical of the formula –OH or the salts thereof;

and

(B) one or more herbicides selected from the group consisting of

~~(B1') metolachlor;~~

~~(B2') bispyribac or its salts, and pyriithiobac or its salts;~~

and

~~(B4') sethoxym and clethodim,~~

and

(C) optionally adjuvants or auxiliaries customarily used in crop protection.

48-51. (Cancelled)

Claim 52 (previously presented)

52. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 48, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B2') pyriithiobac.

Claims 53-57 (cancelled)

Claim 58 (previously presented)

58. A herbicidal composition as claimed in claim 47, wherein herbicide (B) is selected from the group consisting of (B4') clethodim.

Claims 59-73 (cancelled)

Claim 74 (previously presented)

74. A method for influencing the yield or the constituents of cotton plants which comprises applying a herbicidal composition according to claim 47 to the cotton plants or to an area where they reside.

Claim 75 (new) The method as claimed in claim 13 wherein component A is glufosinate-ammonium.

Claim 76 (new) The method as claimed in claim 23 wherein component A is glufosinate-ammonium.

Claim 77 (new) The method as claimed in claim 47 wherein component A is glufosinate-ammonium.

Claim 78 (new) The method as claimed in claim 52 wherein component A is glufosinate-ammonium.